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April 3, 2012

Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
Office of the Secretary
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: **Request for Waiver**

E-rate Program: Form 471 for funding year 2012-2013
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Billed Entity Number 138696
Form 471 (manually filed, no application number at this time)
CC Docket No. 96-45
CC Docket No. 02-6

Dear Ms. Dortch,

I am requesting a waiver of the window close filing date, along with an additional waiver of the 28 day form 470 waiting period for the funding year 2012 – 2013. It was while I began filing my 471 form online, before the deadline date, that I realized I had neglected to file the current 470 form. This is my second year for E-rate filing, and although I was aware that a form 470 was required, the years to which it pertained to confused me. Therefore, before discovering my error, I believed that I had filed correctly.

I immediately contacted the USAC representative and was then made aware of the need to file for an FCC waiver. Upon the advice of a representative from the e-rate support services, I was told that since I filed my 470 (application #147800001032822) on March 8 that I should then file my 471 precisely on April 3, missing the form 471 window close date by exactly 14 days, and falling short of the required 28 day form 470 posting period by one to three days.

The discounts we receive for our Telecommunication service is beneficial to our library, and it is a program which I would like to continue. I have already revised the process for my E-rate form filing reminders so that this incident will not be repeated. I would appreciate your consideration regarding this waiver request.

Please contact me if there are any further questions or issues,

Thank you,

Cindy Lee Simeon
Director, Tilden Public Library